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Flood Control: Devils Lake at Minnewaukan, N. D.

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Location/Description

Minnewaukan is located on the west shore of Devils Lake in Benson County, N. D., approximately 110 miles west of Grand Forks, North Dakota. Devils Lake reached a level of 1447.2 feet in July 1999. The elevation of Minnewaukan is 1450. If Devils Lake continues to rise quickly, a project may be pursued under the Corps of Engineers emergency authority (Public Law 84-99).

Status

Funds became available in Fiscal Year 1998 to initiate a Federal Interest Report. The preliminary results indicated that a flood control project was not feasible at the then current lake elevation, and the study was terminated. St. Paul District recommended that the City of Minnewaukan request reinitiating of the study if Devils Lake reaches a trigger elevation of 1448.

Authority

Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act, as amended, provides the authority for this project. The city council of Minnewaukan requested Corps of Engineers assistance by resolution dated Aug. 2, 1994.

Fiscal

Costs are yet to be determined (as of April 2001).